

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HARTSHORNE *et. al.*

Application No.: 10/574,592

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For: Viscoelastic Surfactant Gels with  
Reduced Salt Concentration

Customer No.: 37003

Confirmation No. 3968

Examiner: Aiqun LI

Art Unit: 1796

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT with RCE**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 7, 2010, which is in response to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2009 and responded to on December 30, 2009, Applicants would like to re-submit the following Amendment (amendment now includes the proper status of claim 82).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.